

Department Natural Resources and Environmental Control
DOE ARRA and 2010 Base Weatherization Assistance Program State Plan Amendment

PUBLIC NOTICE
Amendment to the Weatherization Assistance Program State Plan

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) is amending the current Department of Energy (DOE) Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) 2010 State Plan and the American Recovery and Re-Investment Act (ARRA) WAP State Plan (2009-2012). The WAP program is being transferred from the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services to the DNREC. The amendments emphasize policies and procedures that comply with the mission and guidelines of the program's chief funder, the US Department of Energy's Weatherization Assistance Program. The mission of WAP is to reduce energy loss and consumption in the homes of low income Delawareans, creating healthier and more comfortable homes while reducing energy bills. Amendments to the State plans include modifications to the budget, increased training and technical assistance, increased oversight and monitoring, and updated procedures.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The DNREC will hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed changes in the amendment of the DOE ARRA and DOE 2010 Base Weatherization Program State Plans. Federal and State regulations require DNREC to provide opportunity for comment of proposed changes to the State Plan.

The public hearing will be held on Monday, October 18, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Auditorium at the DNREC offices at 89 Kings Highway, Dover, DE 19901.

Copies of the proposed Amended Plan are available for review at: the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Richardson and Robbins Building, 89 Kings Highway, Dover, Delaware, 19901. First State Community Action Agency, Stanford L Building, 308 N. Railroad Avenue, Georgetown, DE 19947; and Neighborhood House, Inc., 1218 B. Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. Copies of both plans are also available on the DNREC website at <http://www.dnrec.delaware.gov/energy/services/Pages/Weatherization.aspx>

Anyone wishing to submit written comments as a supplement to or in lieu of oral testimony should submit such comments by close of business on October 18, 2010 via email or fax to: Ms. Jackie Bryant (email: Jacqueline.Bryant@state.de.us or by fax at 302 739-1840). For other information concerning this matter, please contact Carolyn Snyder, Director, Climate and Energy, 89 Kings Highway, Dover, Delaware, 19901, at 302-735-3480.